



Newsletter #15

Results and news from Wednesday 31st
October to Tuesday 6th November 2018

Wanganui athletes were to the fore at last Saturdays Team Competition held at the Manawatu Community Athletic track, with their team comfortably taking out the second round competition giving them an almost uncatchable lead leading into the final round of the competition in Wellington on Saturday 17 November. They ended the day with 231 points, well clear of Palmerston North's 155 points and Taranaki's 102 points. Wanganui now have a combined points score of 393 points with Palmerston North on 258 points, just ahead of Hastings on 248 points.

Wanganui have a very talented group of young female athletes and dominated the track results. The 100 metres saw an upset result with Tayla Brunger taking out the event in 12.23s ahead of Sophie Williams 12.23s with national age group titleholder Genna Maples completing the Wanganui trifecta in third place. Corinna Minko was first of the locals crossing in fourth place. Kyra Tikitiki was second in the B grade 100m.

Maples bounced back from her 100m defeat to comfortably take out the 200m in 25.68s well clear of Williams 26.61s with Pavinee Watson best of the locals in fifth place. Leah Powick was third in the B Grade race with Jayde Rolfe third in the C grade race.

The 400 metre race had a classy line up with both Emma Osborne the New Zealand Secondary School titleholder and Brunger the New Zealand Age group titleholder lining up. Osborne taking out the race in 57.22s ahead of Brunger 58.82s. Monique Whiteman was third in 61.91s just ahead of out Watson 61.94s with thirteen year old Monique Gorrie sixth in 63.08. Perhaps one of the best performances

came in the B Grade race where fourteen year old Ana Braybn took out the race in 59.26s, a time that would have placed her third in the A race. She later in the programme took out the 800m in 2m20.16s. Another exciting prospect out of Alec McNab's Collegiate squad.

Sam Mackinder was one of Palmerston North's big points contributor finishing second in the 300m hurdles, second equal in the high jump, third in the long jump and won the javelin. The high jump was won by Lea Muetzel with a 1.61m clearance. Mackinder cleared 1.55m and Courtney Trow had a 1.50m clearance for fifth. The long jump saw Minko leaping 5.63m for victory Mackinder's best was 4.91m with Yvonne Van Baarle's 4.75m placing her seventh. Emma Leader had a best of 4.67m for ninth.

Zac Topping ran a very classy 22.07s to win the 200m sprint with Brayden Grant recording 23.31s for fifth. Earlier in the meet he finished fourth in the 100m in 11.51m. Joseph Chamberlain won the 400m in 53.02m. Jack Nesdale continues to churn out personal bests in the discus with a best effort of 46.98m for second place.

Palmerston North were once again prominent in the relays with the men's team taking out both the 4x100m and 4x400m relays. As expected, the Wanganui women's team were too strong winning both relays with Palmerston North third in the 4x100m and second in the 4x400m.

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Jordan Peters was in Christchurch last weekend competing in the nationally rated

Rhythm and Jumps competition where he took out the men's long jump with a 7.28m leap. He also took out the opportunity to check out the new Nga Puna Wai complex which is the venue for this seasons National championships next March.



*Jordan Peters at Rhythm and Jumps in Christchurch
(Photo courtesy of Richard Shaw)*

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An important notice to all children wishing to compete in the 2019 Colgate Games that your entries need to be handed in this week. Palmerston North entries need to be given to Shaun Popow no later than Tuesday night. Feilding and Ashhurst club members need to see their club secretary. The Manawatu Striders have their very popular Ashhurst to Esplanade run fast approaching and they advise that entries received after November 14 will incur a late entry fee.

Stars of the Week

Our stars of the week go to Sam Mackinder and Emma Leader.



Our star of the week, Sam (left) and Emma (right) at club night (Photo courtesy of Emma Leader)

As previously mentioned, Sam came second in the 300m hurdles, second equal in the high jump, third in the long jump and won the javelin over the weekend. Her performance won the Palmerston North team major points. Thank you and well done, Sam!

Emma earns her star of the week for jumping a massive personal best of 5.15m in the long jump at club night. This is her first jump ever over the 5 metre mark. Awesome stuff, Emma!

Good luck to both of you in Dunedin!